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Hot Springs National Park 2011 Summer Schedule

Hot Springs, AR — Beginning Sunday, May 29, 2011 the Fordyce Bathhouse, the park's visitor center, will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Each day there will be 7 tours and programs for the public. These include: the 10 a.m. Fordyce Bathhouse Tour, 11 a.m. Junior Ranger Program on the Arlington Lawn, 12 noon Thermal Waters of Hot Springs Tour, 1 p.m. Fordyce Bathhouse Tour, 2 p.m. Thermal Waters of Hot Springs Tour, 3 p.m. Junior Ranger Program at the Gulpha Gorge Campground Picnic Area, and the 4 p.m. Fordyce Bathhouse Tour. All of the programs, unless otherwise noted, begin at the Fordyce Bathhouse located at 369 Central Avenue.

In addition to these programs the park film will be shown in the Fordyce Bathhouse auditorium on the hour and half-hours from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Beginning Friday, May 27, 2011, evening programs will be presented at the Gulpha Gorge Campground Amphitheater on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., weather permitting. These programs include a 7:30 p.m. Junior Ranger Program, and an 8:30 p.m. Campfire Program.

"We are excited about this summer's expanded programming," stated Josie Fernandez, park superintendent. "No matter what time of the day or what day of the week a visitor arrives in the park there is something for everyone to do."

These programs are in addition to the opportunities to hike in the park, conduct a self-guided visit, complete Junior Ranger activities, and experience the park's thermal waters. Also available are the park's *Let's Move Outside* and *Junior Trail Ranger* programs for adults and children interested in improving their mental and physical health and their quality of life. Please ask for more information at the Fordyce Bathhouse visitor center.

Hot Springs National Park is open daily from 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., with the visitor center open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free. Activities are ongoing unless noted. For more information about upcoming events call (501) 620-6701 or e-mail hosp_interpretation@nps.gov. Visit the park's web page at www.nps.gov/hosp for additional information.

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